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2 June 1988

Dear Mr. Myers:

Please excuse the hand-printed letter as my disk drive is in the shop, and I can't use my computer without it. The following is my submission for the Spring Field Reports for the I.O.U.

1 May 1988

- 2 adult female goshawks,
- 1 adult female cooper's hawk,
- 1 adult male Red-shouldered hawk,
- 27 turkey vultures and
- 1 osprey seen at Stone State Park in Sioux City, Iowa.

Observers - Kevin Loftus, Timothy Loftus,
Douglas E. Trapp.

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5 May 1988

27 turkey vultures observed at Stone State Park at roost (communal) near Ranger Station and pairs displaying courtship behavior. Observer - Douglas E. Trapp

15 May 1988

21 turkey vultures observed at Stone State Park at same roosting local. Sighted 1

✓ Swainson's Hawk and 4 Peregrine
? Falcon's in migration north.

The Peregrines soared with vultures on thermals, stooped on waterfowl (ducks) in Stone Park pond (one duck ^(mallard?) was flushed but Peregrine did not chase it) and performed aerial displays, (tumbling, rolling, stooping, etc.) and "played" with the vultures by conducting mock attacks. They appeared to be Tundrius Peregrines,

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but Doug Reeves ^{Nongame Biologist DNR} thinks they may be nesting nearby the park. Further observances in the area have shown no Peregrines remaining - so these falcons must have been migrants. Obs. - Douglas E. Trapp

I donot usually report birds other than raptors for the field reports - but I saw a couple unusuals that I thought you would like to hear about.

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1 Indigo Bunting, 1 Brown Thrasher,
1 ~~Belted~~ Kingfisher, 1 male and
1 female Wood Duck, 1 Yellow-
billed Cuckoo at Stone State
Park Pond. Obs. - Douglas E. Trapp

Again, I'm sorry I had to write this in pen and ink. Please advise should you have any

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questions ^{or comments} regarding the above reports. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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